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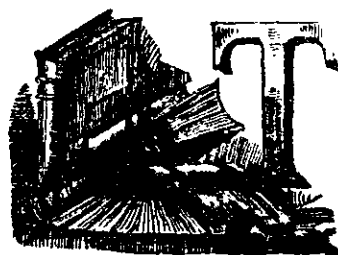
Ye Senior, as he reades ye Tech, —  
As everie Senior shoulde—  
Sees, smiling, ye resultinge checque  
For 1900's goode;  
Ande that thys periodicale,  
Whiche weeklie comes to viewe,  
Comes nowe, inne planne methodicale,  
Toe bys Salvatione, too.



THE recent purchase of several acres of land in the Fenway for building purposes, by the trustees of the Boston Art Museum, is another significant sign of the western growth of the city.

The Art Museum in its present location is undoubtedly handicapped for room and its growth would apparently soon demand an enlargement of the present building at least.

With the removal of the Art Museum from Copley Square, one attraction will be lost which gives that square a prominence over all others in the city. However, it is undeniable that the Museum, representing immense value in its collections, has every year been placed in a more and more precarious position. But it is with a certain regret that we see it transplanted to the Fenway, inasmuch as it will lose the advantages of its present very centralized position in Copley Square. This aspect of inconvenience will affect Technology students among others, and especially those of the architectural course. If, however, the building is commensurate with the price paid for the land, which was, we believe, three-quarters of a million of dollars, there will be a great deal to compensate for its disadvantages of position, in that the present building lacks much in arrangement and plan, points in which the new one will undoubtedly be a vast improvement.



THE recent gift to the Institute of \$50,000 from Augustus Lowell, for the establishment of a Teacher's Fund, is a gift most appropriate and one which fills a long felt want. There are numerous scholarships awarded annually for the purpose of aiding needy students. Now, however, Mr. Lowell has indicated a new line along which future gifts to the Institute may be directed.

In almost every educational institution in the country there exists a pension or relief fund, under various names but with the same general object in view, namely, to furnish financial aid, if necessary, to teachers in case

of sickness, perhaps to provide a pension for them after they have reached a certain age or have taught for a fixed number of years. In some instances aid is given to a teacher's family in case of his death, provided he has been their sole means of support.

It is but proper that we should in this respect be on a par with other colleges. Thus does Mr. Lowell's gift seem most timely and in the right direction. It would be well if other donors to the Institute, considerate of its needs, would follow his example, and so in time our instructing staff would come to be as amply provided for as that of any other American college.



It is well known that the Tech. athlete has more to contend with than one of another college. He has less time to devote to athletics and fewer facilities. Thus, what he does accomplish is the result of greater effort, and more

worthy of the support of his fellow students. The least they can do is attend the Meets and witness and encourage his endeavors.

Besides attending the Meet for duty's sake, Tech. men should be there because of the interest which it will have for them. This year it promises to be of exceptional interest. The programme has been rearranged, and only the events of greatest interest have been retained. Among these is the class relay race. The different teams have been doing excellent work, and that event is sure to be closely contested.

These few particulars alone show that the Meet cannot but be of interest to all, and it cannot be too strongly urged upon all Tech. men who have the slightest feeling for the advancement of Tech. athletics, that they should be present at the gym. on Friday evening.



It is with great pleasure that THE TECH board of Editors is able to show its appreciation of the hearty support of 1900 throughout the four years which will so soon be completed. In giving the class the profits of this issue we wish the seniors complete success in the liquidation of their debt and are sorry only that we cannot reciprocate more fully their continued kindness to THE TECH.

### Technology at Paris.

Early in the year the United States Commission on the Educational Exhibit at Paris honored Cornell and Tech by asking them to prepare exhibits in civil and mechanical engineering and architecture which should represent this country abroad. Professors Merrill, Burton, Despradelle, and Homer and Dr. Tyler have been preparing the exhibit for some months past and have completed one that can but add to the most enviable reputation of the Institute in both the United States and Europe.

The two engineering exhibits will be together, separate from the architectural work. Over them will be displayed the name of the Institute and a list of its presidents, under which will be seen a map of the buildings and graphical charts showing the geographical origin of the students and distribution of the alumni. Under these will hang three groups of thirty-three winged frames each. One group will show plans, photographs and statistics of the buildings, another, drawings and photographs of the rooms and instruments of the civil engineering course, while the third will perform the same function for the course in mechanical engineering. Under the frames, drawers will contain outlines of the courses, results of surveys and tests, designs for bridges, dams, etc., and a number of theses.

The Course IV. work to be shown will

consist of about fifty specimens, representing every kind of work done in the department. The rendering of designs in water color will naturally be the most prominent feature, tastefully arranged on dark green mats which are to be made for the purpose. Among these will be hung pen and ink sketches, charcoal and pencil work and a few smaller problems. The idea is to display only work which is truly American in character, of which Steven's Design for a Golf Clubhouse is a good example. A University Club, by Spahr, '97, a rendering of The Corinthian Cornice, Porter, '96, A Museum for Trophies of War, Werner, '99, and a Department Store, are among the others. Most of these drawings have been honored by high places either in home competition or in the annual one of the Beaux Arts. It must not be supposed that the exhibit is other than representative of the work done in the department, however, as examples of the ordinary everyday work will be in evidence in every form.

#### The Senior Dinner.

On Friday night the Class of 1900 held its last undergraduate class dinner. There were fifty-two men present. Good fellowship was the order of the evening. The dinner itself was excellent, the after-dinner speeches capital, and the efforts of the toastmaster and the dinner committee to make the evening pass pleasantly were met by many expressions of appreciation from those present. The menu, tied with a bow of red and black ribbon bore a design by S. W. Jones.

The toast list was something of an innovation. It was headed "Applied Mechanics," the toastmaster, Charles Van Merrick, assumed the role of the Instructor in Applied, and the men who responded to toasts were called on to explain or interpret certain more or less familiar expressions found in Applied Mechanics.

President Leonard, after a few comments

on the career of the Class in the Institute, introduced Mr. Merrick. Beginning with an "assumption" Mr. Merrick followed it up by a "presumption" that led to the "assertion" that "*there ain't no beam theory*," and the fun at the expense of the Profs had begun. The possibilities in this line of humor were extensive, and it is doubtless a source of regret to many that these same professors were not present to see themselves as others sometimes see them.

Mr. R. H. Clary in response to "Stresses and Strains due to Breaking Load" or " $s + \frac{e}{l} = \text{The Past}$ " recalled some interesting reminiscences of the earlier experiences of the class.

Harry Grant sang his song of "My Ann Eliza" and scored all the old-time minstrel show applause.

F. D. Chase explained the effect of "Elongation due to Repeated Stresses and Strains," or " $\frac{e}{4} = \text{A Five Year Course}$ ," and suggested some novel experiments which, if carried out in the Applied Lab. would undoubtedly popularize the course.

P. R. Ziegler sang the "Turnkey's Song" from "Rob Roy."

"A Few Moments of Inertia" or

$\frac{1}{12}bh^3 + \frac{1}{3}bh^3 + \frac{1}{4}\pi r^4 = \text{The Present}$  was interpreted by S. C. Sears, and the formidable  $\sum wr^2$  was soon lost in pleasant anecdotes of the professors and of various members of the class.

The hit of the evening, however, was made by G. H. Mead with "Short Struts —

$$\frac{f}{1 + \frac{l}{c} \times \frac{l^2}{p^2}}.$$

The cleverness and humor with which he disposed of the 'shortest strut that ever strutted' in Engineering A, was thoroughly appreciated by men taking 4th year Applied.

"A Drinking Song" was then called for from P. R. Ziegler.

In answer to "Our Coefficient of Expansion and our Modulus of Elasticity —

$$.001900 + \frac{s}{e} = \text{The Future,}$$

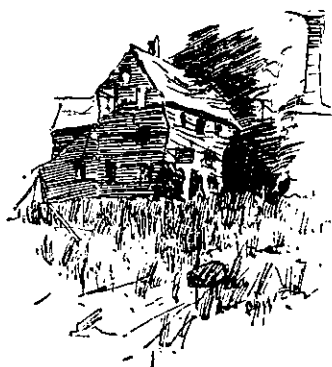
M. L. Sperry took the opportunity to bring in some hits on the eccentricities of a few Course II. men.

This closed the regular toast list but a song by G. H. Mead, and "I Know but I Never Will Tell," by C. Van Merrick and stories and music whiled away an hour before midnight. Then, with cheers for 1900 and Technology the company broke up.

### The Trophy Room.

At present the track team banners and those belonging to teams representing Technology are collected and are ready for hanging in the Trophy Room. Individual trophies will be collected soon, and energetic steps are being taken to this end. The Athletic Association will, in a few days, make this room its general headquarters, making with the Musical Clubs, the Technique Board, the third organization to hold desk room there. Together with the track team trophies those of the Varsity and class football elevens, the class baseball teams and others will be collected here. Photographs of the different athletic teams will be hung here and the class canes and pipes will also be on exhibition. All this is in a fair way for speedy realization. When the work of decoration is finished, as it undoubtedly will be shortly after the close of the mid-year vacation, the Trophy Room will be thrown open to the public. The organizations whose headquarters are there will hold their regular meetings in the Room, due notice of which, however, will be bulletined, or announced in THE TECH. The present custodian of the Trophy Room is H. D. Jouett, '00.

### A Senior's Mistake.



I was at the Technology Club. The Senior and his friend had just met and were sitting down to have a friendly cigar together. The Senior seemed under a cloud, though his friend was in the very best of spirits.

"Yes, you look first-rate," the friend was saying, "and how is everything — and by 'everything,' I mean, of course, the fair unknown you told me about last Saturday?"

"Oh, hold up," the Senior replied nervously; "don't call her 'the unknown.' What do you take me for? It didn't need a day for me to find out who she was. She's married, of course, — and she's got me into one of the most unpleasant scrapes that" —

"She has!" interrupted the friend; "you must have been an idiot, or she — Tell me about it."

"Well," the other assented, "I *was* an idiot. Indeed, now that I come to think of it, *she* didn't get me into it at all. I did it all by myself; simply made a fool of myself, that's all, and am daily expecting a duel or something of that sort in consequence."

"Poor devil! you must have a tragic tale to tell. Let's hear it," said the friend, growing interested.

"Well," the other began, hesitatingly, though glad to find a sympathizer, "I had identified the lady, — it seems she is a neighbor of mine, in a way, — and had a very pleasant chat with her. The day after, I was passing her house just as she arrived home and in getting out of her carriage, she made an unfortunate stumble, and I was able to assist her to her door. That led to another nice talk — she is a most delightful little lady — and ended in my being invited to tea tomorrow night, to meet her husband."

"But there's nothing to be blue about in that," expostulated his friend, a little enviously. "It seems to me you made a mighty lucky move. What are you objecting to?"

"Oh, that's only the beginning," said the Senior resignedly. "That simply explains why I went by her house again yesterday, why I wanted to do some nice little service or other for her, and how I happened to hear her bemoaning the loss of her pet dog, which I judged had recently disappeared, and why I



resolved to find that dog and return it, so as to make an offering of devotion at the altar of my—and all that.”

“Ah, yes, I see; here comes the plot, go on,” put in the friend parenthetically.

“Now, I had seen that dog trotting off into Grew’s woods, about an eighth of a mile away. So, of course, I started off in that direction to find him.” The Senior was warming up to the subject.

“And you found him, of course,” suggested the friend.

“No, but I ran across a nondescript-looking old rascal coming out of the woods with a gun on his shoulder. Then I remembered hearing a report some time before, and somehow I began to suspect dog-murder. The look of the fellow was enough to suggest it. He was one of those tall, thin, red-faced fellows, you know.”

“Yes,” agreed the friend, “I know ’em.”

“With a short, red, pointed beard,—and that, with a scar on his forehead”—

“What’s that!” the other cried, “a red beard and a scar on his forehead! Say, did he have reddish hair hanging like a torn lining from his hat—and did he limp?”

“That’s just what he had—and just what he did. You’ve hit it to a T. Do you know him?”

“Know him! I guess! So he was your customer, eh? I guess you didn’t hurt him much. He’s a terror to strangers. You passed him without saying a thing, I hope.”

“No, that’s the worst of it, I didn’t,” the other said, hopelessly. “I asked him if he had seen a little brown dog—and what do you suppose he said?”

“Don’t know. Told you he wasn’t dog-hunting but minding his own affairs, or something civil like that, I suppose,” the friend suggested.

“No, he didn’t; he said, ‘Yes, I have and I’ve shot him!’”

“Whew! Did he?” and the friend fanned himself and looked excited.

“Yes, he did. And I told him I knew the owner of the dog—and that I would hold him personally liable, and—”

And he told you that if you said anything more about it, he’d send you after the dog—or something of that sort, didn’t he?”

“Yes, only not so mild as that.”

“Ah, I can imagine it. He is a corker:—and you retired, of course?” the friend continued.

“No,” the other answered, “I wish I had. I got mad and told him that pet-dog-killing was just the heroic action to be expected of a man of his calibre,—and if it were my dog, I’d pitch into him and trample on him—and that he was altogether a miserable, ravaging tramp, and a lot more worse than that.”

“Great Guns! To that man!” The friend gasped, aside, and asked, “did he get up and exterminate you?”

“Well, almost. He said I was drunk, and a fool, and generally a meddling ass, and didn’t know the meaning of the word ‘gentleman,’ and wasn’t worth the mangey, sick dog I was looking after. And I answered that I guessed I was worth more than one confounded dog I knew of, and—”

“Great——but you’re fooling!” the friend interrupted.

“No, I’m not!” went on the other, vehemently, “I may have been a fool, but I wasn’t fooling. And the old fellow shook his fist and swore that the next time we met he’d fight or he was no gentleman, and he’d be keeping a watch for me all over that part of the country, and he tore away madder than a wild maniac. And I’ve been looking for a challenge ever since.”

“Yes, and you’ll find it, too, I fear. I advise you to be rather wary, when Major Tinkham gets mad—”

“Major Tinkham!” the Senior shouted, “Not Henry M. Tinkham?” and he sat bolt upright in his chair.

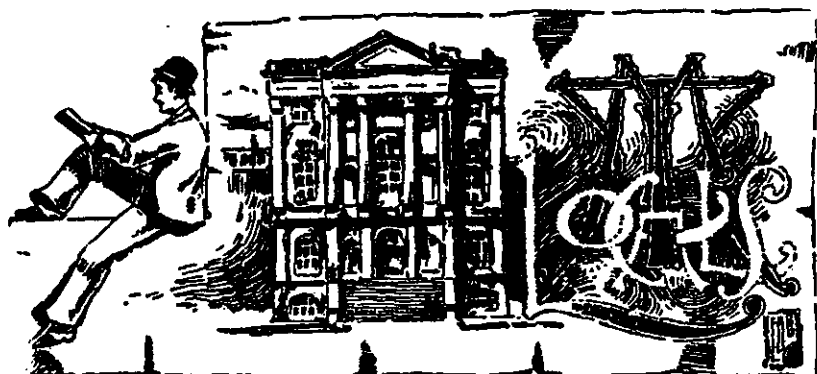
“Yes, sir,” promptly replied his friend. “Major Henry M. Tinkham of the First National, and a more irascible, unforgiving old rascalion it will be hard to find.”

“But, man,”—said the other looking weak. “that lady who lost the dog is Mrs. Henry Tinkham—and I’m to take tea there tomorrow evening, to meet her hus——Great Heaven!” and the Senior sank down into a lump of black coat and wretchedness; while the other sympathetically murmured:

“Good Lord, Jack! You’re a gonner!”

“CRU.”

If anyone wishes to borrow your umbrella after the sixteenth of February, say it is Lent.  
—EX.



The first alumni dinner of the Class of '99 will take place at the Savoy Hotel on Dec. 23.

The very welcome Christmas recess will extend over Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 25, 26 and 27.

R. W. Wight, '01, who was operated on for appendicitis two weeks ago, is convalescing. He is at the Morse Hospital in Natick.

On account of the Christmas recess the next number of *THE TECH* will be issued on Friday, December 29, instead of on Thursday.

C. F. F. Campbell, '00, who left the Institute at the beginning of this year to return to England, is teaching in the Royal Normal College in London.

The sub-committee on the Trophy Room from the Institute Committee consists of H. D. Jouett, '00, chairman; E. G. Thatcher, '01, and I. R. Adams, '02.

Harry D. Hunt, '97, editor and proprietor of the North Attleboro *Evening Chronicle*, is a member-elect of the Massachusetts House of Representatives of 1900.

Owing to a continuance of Mr. Roberts' legal engagements in New York, the commencement of his series of lectures on patents has been again postponed. For the present his time will be taken by Mr. Blodgett for the lectures on "Railroad Signals."

Following is the list of entries for the Class Team Race at the indoor meet: Messrs. Priest, Wentworth, Grant, MacMasters and Hall, '00; Garrett, Shepard, Rowe, Maxson and Fleming, '01; Brown, Pope, Sawyer, Avery and Franklin, '02; Winchester, Lord, Gleason, Mogninski and Cally, '03.

At the regular meeting of the M. I. T. Chauncy-Hall Club, held December 14, the following officers were elected for the year: President, H. H. Fletcher, Jr., '02; Vice-President, J. R. Bates, '02; Sec'y-Treas., J. R. Jones, '03. The Committee on Arrangements consists of Messrs. H. H. Fletcher, J. R. Bates, J. R. Jones and I. R. Adams, '02.

A large number of *Techniques* of former years may be found on the shelves of the General Library of the Institute. An examination of these may prove of value to those competing for the \$10 prize offered by the 1901 *Technique* for the best Class History. The essential characteristic of originality is well exemplified in those back publications.

Lieut. Hamilton has made his first selection of officers for the Freshman Battalion. Later on, when more officers are appointed, those now in office will, if found capable, be correspondingly advanced. The following appointments have been made: Captains, John S. Bridges, Jr., Claude H. Cooper; Lieutenants, H. P. Drake, V. I. Nettleton, L. H. Underwood, R. M. Lawton, R. E. Hanson, G. M. Greene, J. E. Reid.

A reception was given on Friday evening Dec. 15, at the Pierce Building by Mrs. William T. Sedgewick, Mrs. W. L. Underwood and Miss Amy M. Homans of the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics to those connected with the Biological Department and to the Junior Class of the Normal School of Gymnastics. The reception itself was held at the Margaret Cheney Room. After the reception, Mr. W. L. Underwood of Belmont, showed the company some lantern slides of wild animals which he had hunted with a camera in the Maine woods, adding not a little to the interest of the pictures by his descriptions.

After the talk, the company visited the halls and laboratories of the Biological Department which had been opened and decorated in a pleasing way. The library had been

transformed into a chocolate room daintily decorated in pink and green, and presided over by Mrs. Sedgewick's niece, Miss Knapp and Miss Gallupp.

Among those present were Prof. and Mrs. Sedgewick, Mr. and Mrs. Underwood, Miss Homans, Dr. Bond, Miss Perrin, Dr. Bickford, Dr. Hough, Miss Seely, Dr. Collin, Mr. Skarstrom, Dr. Weyse, Dr. Bigelow, Mr. Prescott.

### The Walker Club.

On Tuesday evening, December 19, at 8 o'clock, the Walker Club held the second monthly meeting of the year, at the rooms of the Technology Club. Though the number present was smaller than usual, the evening was one of the most enjoyable in the meetings of the club. The entertainment for the evening was an informal talk on "The Navy," by Prof. Cecil H. Peabody.

The smoke talk was followed by a general consideration and discussion of specific points in the subject of the lecture, and a number of photographs of the Spanish war-ships after the Battle of Santiago were examined with well-deserved interest. After a hearty vote of thanks to the speaker, the club adjourned to the dining hall where refreshments waited to make an agreeable close to the evening. The meeting was a thoroughly enjoyable one, and, due to Professor Peabody, was one of especial interest and value.

### Calendar.

*Thursday, Dec. 21, 1 P. M.* Mandaman Club. Room 11, Rogers.

*Friday, December 22, 4 P. M.* Walker Club. 44 Rogers. Important.

*Friday Evening, Dec. 22. 7 O'clock.* Class Championship games, M. I. T. Gymnasium.

*Friday, Dec. 22. 7.30 P. M.* Annual indoor class games.

*Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Dec. 25—27.* Christmas recess.

*Tuesday, December 26.* Glee Club Concert at Lowell, Mass.

*Thursday, December 28.* Glee Club Concert at Gloucester High School.



In the coming class games all the events will, from the present outlook, be well filled. Every man who has any inclination to participate should report to his class captain. A rubber practice shot has been obtained for practice work.

John W. Horr, the fast hurdler of last year's Varsity Track Team is getting into condition at the gym. for the winter indoor meets. Horr will represent the Brookline Y. M. C. A. on the track.

In the initial run of the Intercollegiate Cross-Country Association held in New York State last Saturday, John F. Cregan of Princeton distinguished himself by covering the distance of six miles in the fast time of thirty-four minutes, five and two-fifths seconds. He gained a victory from a strong list of competitors, among them being Alex. Grant, University of Pennsylvania, a runner of national reputation.

The Hare and Hounds Club ran from Wellesley Hills on Saturday. W. P. R. Pember, '02 and R. W. Worcester, '02 were the hares and laid a trail of about seven miles. The course led through Wellesley Farms to Weston Park, across the Charles River into Newton Lower Falls, back into Wellesley and Needham and finished with a good stretch down Washington St. The footing and trail were good and the air bracing and the hounds finished at a fast clip. C. M. Dearden, '01 and F. H. Reed, '02, the first in, were only two and a half minutes behind the hares. H. A. B. Campbell, '99 who was in town for a few

days, came out for the run, to the great delight of the old runners.

The indoor meet to-morrow evening will be the last affair, social or athletic, of interest to all classes alike, which will occur at Tech. for several weeks. At the winter meet last year not one hundred students were present from a total of almost twelve hundred at the Institute. Such a lack of interest in athletic matters, as compared with the great interest shown in such affairs in all other colleges, is, to say the least, disgraceful.

This year it is hoped that the inter-class relay race will bring out many supporters from each of the classes. In spite of the fact that three of the runners on Tech.'s swift relay team are seniors, the dashes in which the inter-class race is to be run will equalize the chances of 1901 and 1902. It is a noticeable fact that in the 100-yard dash of the fall meet all three of these classes won points. The Freshmen as yet have not had much chance to show what athletic material there may be in their class, but they have a good team in training and will make a bid for first place.

Unless proper support is given to athletics by the student body, it is useless for the management to arrange meets with other colleges. If a reasonable number of supporters will not attend a home meet, in their own gymnasium, and cheer their own classmates, what can they be expected to do for Tech. when it meets rival colleges on athletic fields away from home?

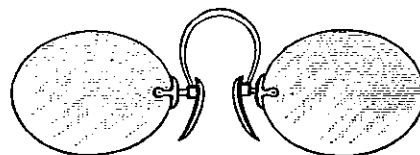
Coming as the Meet does, just prior to the Christmas vacation, it is at the time when it is reasonable to expect a large attendance. If this is forthcoming, as it should be, then the Athletic Association, prompted by the greater interest shown in athletics, will feel free to make plans for an open winter Meet, and later, perhaps, provide for a dual Meet with Brown or Amherst.

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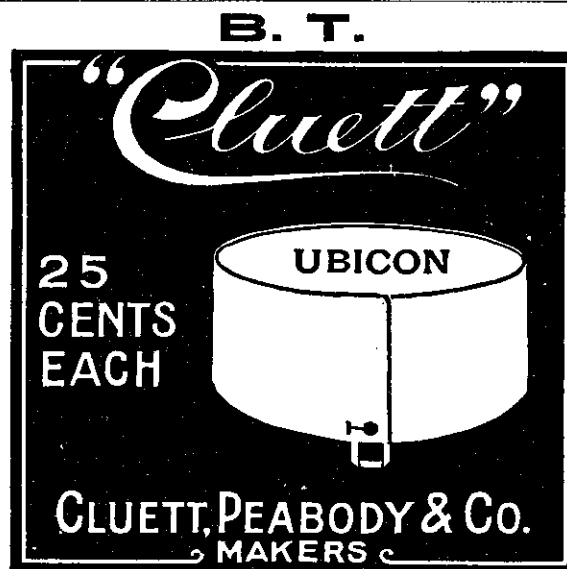
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TO THE EDITORS OF THE TECH:

Will you kindly publish when convenient, the points required, for a man to win his numerals, his A. T. A., and his T.

Yours truly, '03.

To the above communication we reply—that according to a vote of the Advisory Council on Athletics the wearing of a "T" is restricted to those winning one or more points in a purely intercollegiate competition; members of a victorious relay team adjudged worthy by the Advisory Council.

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In football those having participated in at least two-thirds of the season's games. Managers to be permitted a "T" enclosed by a circle. Exceptions or additions to the above may be granted at the discretion and vote of the Council.

In regard to wearing class numerals we must refer "'03" to action upon the same by class constitution or whatever provision has been made in regard to same.

Entries for the class games, to be held tomorrow evening at the gymnasium, should be made with the class captains, and the entry list will close tonight (December 21). Under no conditions will men not members of the M. I. T. A. A. be allowed to start. Membership tickets may be had of the officers of the Association. Heats in the thirty-five-yard dash will be called at eight P. M. sharp.

C. W. CORBETT, JR., Mgr.



'89. Mr. George A. G. Holman, VI., is in the office of Dewitt Smith, railroad president and capitalist, on Broadway, New York City.

'90. Mr. George W. Fuller, II., was married on November 9th to Miss Caroline T. Goodloe. They will reside in Louisville, Ky., where he is connected with the city water works as chief chemist and bacteriologist.

'94. Mr. H. M. Chase, X., has been recently promoted to the position of superintendent, in the Wilmington cotton mills.

'94. Mr. A. A. Clement, X., has accepted a place as chemist with the American Cotton Oil Co.

'96. Mr. William Bellamy Taylor, II., died at Beaumont, Texas, on June 29, of typhoid fever. He was in the employ of the Mexican Central Railroad Co., as inspector of the Purchasing Department, and was engaged in creosoting lumber at the time of his death.


'98. Mr. A. L. Goodrich, X., is assistant chemist with the Union Oil Co., at their Gretna refinery, at New Orleans, La.

'98. G. R. Wadsworth, I., is assistant engineer on the N. Y. C. & H. R. R., at Albany.

'99. W. O. Adams, X., and T. W. Hoxie, II., will take part in the ballet of the play founded on "The Three Musketeers" to be given by the Cadets.

'99. Mr. R. H. Tinkham, I., is now with the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., and is located at Philadelphia.

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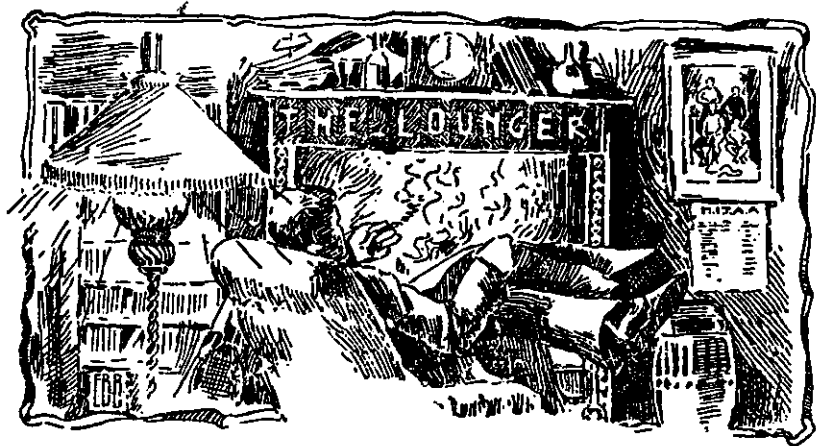


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And make such gruesome copy as the day  
Would quake to look on. He could;  
But, on the whole, he guesses he won't.

The fact is, that the Christmas holidays are coming, and the class of 1900 is in debt. Yule-log and snap-dragon this year must be fettered with promissory note and sheriff's warrant. The Institute Santa Claus this time may come without his peppermints and automatic savings-bank, as it would be fully as acceptable if he would dispense a few certified cheques instead. And on Christmas eve, THE LOUNGER suggests, it would be wise for the Seniors to refrain from hanging up their rubber boots as usual, and instead to place their pocket-books (empty) on the mantle over the fireplace.

The scene on Christmas morning will be far different this year from what it ever was before. Instead of a lot of delighted Seniors triumphantly comparing pop-guns and caramels and tumultuously exercising tin horns and kaleidoscopes, there will be seen calm and earnest groups of happy undergraduates, bent mathematically with one thought over sending little rolls of bank notes and wads of legal tender, as they carefully count up the amount of the respective donations. Charming sight! And then, instead of the "Thank you, auntie," and the "Oh, you're so good, Cousin Ebenezer," so habitual to Christmas morn, there will be heard a modulated dictation of "Dear Sir: Please find enclosed —" etc., which will surely bring joy to a certain military and heroic fraternalist who has been wedged in the breach of the class finances for something like four years. All this is indeed good, however unwonted and weird. And if it is to be a pleasurable sight at this end of the transaction, what will be the delighted spasm, the complete rapture, the delirious ecstasy at the other, when the benevolent captain, calm and unsuspecting, opens the letter and sees suddenly before him the scintillating flash of unexpected treasure! Glowing thought; — THE LOUNGER shifts his chair on to the other leg, leans back luxuriously, basking in the warmth of this beaming picture, and wishes that he, too, could share

in the joys of the one as he is to assist in the ceremonies of the other.

In consideration of the annual *Catalogue*, which is so soon to be projected upon the Institute public, THE LOUNGER has a suggestion of some considerable importance to make. In these days of competition and active rivalry, it is often advisable for one competitor to avail himself of those particular advantages which contribute to any great part of the success of the other. Now it is, by unprejudiced minds, acknowledged that in the contest between the two annual publications of Technology, the *Catalogue* comes in only a good second, while *Technique* has, in point of amusement, instruction, and, in fact, everything but time, taken decidedly the first place. The trouble with the *Catalogue* is, perhaps, in the fact that it is hardly original enough. It does, to be sure, contain certain things of authority and interest, but these are only repetitions of what may be found in *Technique*. THE LOUNGER, then, would suggest that all such things be omitted from the *Catalogue*, and that the lists of instructors, the frequent repetitions of the secretary's name, the particularization of the students and all such duplications of *Technique* information be carefully avoided. Then there is another thing. The *Catalogue* is altogether deficient in the character of its jokes. A spirit of malice rather than humor often seems to be dominant, as in the case of the list of special students. THE LOUNGER, from personal feeling, knows how wide of the mark this hits as a humorous compilation. It is not desirable, for example, to specify, as the *Catalogue* does, the exact subjects which each unfortunate special flunked on the term before; indeed, it is hardly advisable to give special importance or name to the column, at all. Then also, the *Catalogue* does not make such a point of its humorous articles as does its more victorious competitor; it is lacking in its illustrations. In this regard, THE LOUNGER would suggest that the *Catalogue* editors adopt the method of the *Technique* Board and offer a prize to the professor who gets off the best original joke in the rest of the year.

To begin with, the account of a certain Professor's trip to Greenland might be introduced for originality and joy. The circulation will increase a hundred per cent and their advertisements will become much more numerous. Notices of concerns outside of the Institute proper will bring in a new source of financial revenue, and as a consequence, the *Catalogue* Board will be able to go to the extravagance of issuing the book in a new style of cover, for a change. It will then be but a short time before the Professors of the Architectural Department will take an interest in the work, and the result of this will be not only a perpetually delighting exhibition of *Catalogue* posters in Rogers corridor, but also an artistic element in the publication itself that will do much to make it a close rival of *Technique*.

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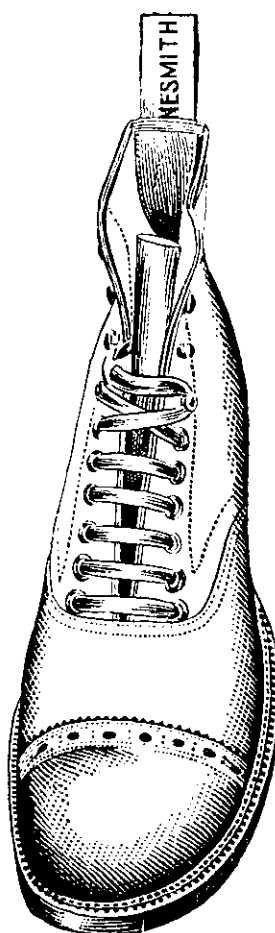
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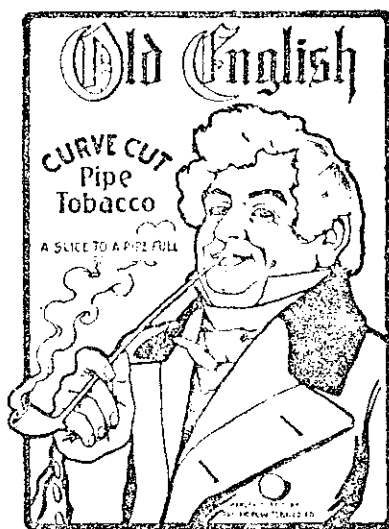
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